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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Psychological and Paramilitary Staff

SUBJECT : Training Support to Operations of Extreme Sensitivity During the Cold War Period

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for C/PP approval and implementation to provide the Clandestine Services with a continuing capability to offer effective field training support to operations of extreme sensitivity during the Cold War period. Such a recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.

2. Agency experience indicates that situations continue to arise in which CIA is required to take an active operational role in support of United States policy objectives [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] where CIA participation takes the form of paramilitary activity certain advance preparations may be made. In this instance the capability to provide on the ground training support is required, and this necessitates the continuing availability of [REDACTED] basic instructional materials, [REDACTED] and entirely practical for effective utilization under field conditions. Such training material is not presently available within the Agency.

3. This training material should, at a minimum, embody courses of instruction in the following activities: Guerrilla Warfare Organization and [REDACTED]. This instructional material should be designed so as to have the widest possible geographic application, and be devoid of superfluous theoretical aspects and all but the most widely recognized historical references. In the preparation of this material it should be borne in mind that although Agency Staff personnel will normally utilize it the time available for training purposes will be at a minimum and training facilities will most often be primitive or non-existent. Where adjunctive training aids are utilized due considerations must be given to air transportability of such material as a packaged unit. It is suggested that this material be prepared by field experienced instructors, and upon completion that it be processed through the CI Staff for transmission overseas in order to satisfy the provision for ready response. A detailed description of subject material is provided in attachment A.

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4. In the interest of conservation of available storage space and the provision for ready response, the continuing availability of master copies of the required lesson outlines, plans, and lectures which lend themselves to rapid reproduction via thermofaxing or other acceptable methods should satisfy this requirement. If further information is desired regarding this request please contact Mr. [REDACTED] Room 2008 - J Building, [REDACTED]

5. It is requested that C/PP approve this recommendation for the creation of a continuing Clandestine Service capability to provide training support to operations of extreme sensitivity during the Cold War period, and appropriate action be implemented requesting the Office of Training to provide this capability.

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Chief, Far East Division

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/s/ [REDACTED] 12 May 1958

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Attachment A

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